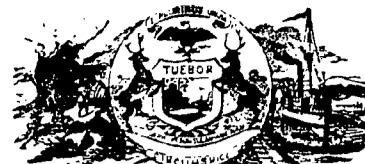


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O. P. Schumann, Editor and proprietor.

Xmas Cantata Sunday Evening

Candle-Light Service At Michelson Memorial Church Sunday Evening

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Those who attended the candle-light services at Christmas time during the past two years are looking forward to this inspiring occasion. It is to be hoped that the entire community will avail itself of the privilege of sharing in the service.

HANSON CAFE TEAM OPENS SEASON

The independent team known as the Hanson Cafe quintet opened the basket ball season last Friday night by defeating Kalkaska on the home court.

There was a fair size crowd and it was a good game to watch, with the score 26 to 21.

Members of the Cafe team have been putting in some hard practices and are adding games to their schedule, so that they will be seen in action often this season.

Defeated Roscommon Ramblers Wednesday Night

In the last few minutes of the last quarter Grayling's Hanson Cafe basket ball team got the lead over the Roscommon Ramblers and held it until the end. It was a small audience which was on hand at the Grayling High School gymnasium Wednesday evening, but those who were there saw a hard fought and an exciting game all the way through. The Grayling boys in the final score had a lead of 12 points over the Ramblers with a score of 46 to 34.

The Grayling boys look good this year and the season looks interesting. We understand the team will be sporting new suits of black and white soon.

Nestorian Movement in China
The only record yet discovered of the Nestorian movement in China is the Nestorian stone dating from 781 A. D. It is a monument.

GUIDE TO GIFTS

It's Christmas Time At Hanson Hardware

You may forget your worries about what to give when you come to this store. A finer and more complete assortment of useful articles appropriate for Christmas gifts were never before offered in Grayling. Wherever one looks he will find articles that offer immediate suggestion as a gift for ???

HERE ARE A FEW SUGGESTIONS:

Electric Toasters	Skiis
Coffee Percolators	Skates
Electric Appliances	Sleds
Electric Washers	Shears
Rayo Lamps	Pocket knives
Thermometers	Christmas Tree Standards
Clocks	Christmas Decorations
Dishes	Toys
Cocktail Sets	Games
Glassware	Flashlights
Kitchen Scales	Guns and Ammunition
Kitchen Utensils	Tools for Every Purpose

COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF PYREXWARE

Besides the above, articles, our display tables are brimming over with articles for practical uses in every home.

The entire store is a veritable Santa Claus headquarters for gifts suitable for Dad, Mother and the Kiddies.

Hanson Hardware Co.

Phone 21

OLD LANDMARK RAZED

The old vacant dwelling house that stood across from the Alfred Hanson Garage on property owned by Alfred Hanson, has been razed. This building was one of the old landmarks of Grayling, and although it has been an eyesore for several years, it was one of the good homes in the early days. We haven't been able to find out just what year it was built, neither who built it, but in and around 1890 Hans Jenson and family occupied it. Mr. and Mrs. Hans Jenson were very hospitable, and their home was the scene of many a happy gathering of young Danes. It will also be remembered that a young son of the Jenson's was accidentally drowned in the dam that still flows near the US27 bridge.

Some 45 years ago Gus Anderson, brother of Mrs. Adler Jorgenson owned the property. At one time a brother of N. Schieltz and family resided there, and for several years Mrs. Anna Bennett ran a boarding house there, selling out to Alfred Hanson.

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High School Glee Club

Miss Jean Johnson, director.

Dr. Ardis of the Children's Fund of Michigan gave a very interesting talk covering "The Work of The Children's Fund of Michigan" in Crawford County.

The speaker at the Kiwanis Club last week was Amos Hunter, chairman of the agricultural committee of the club. He chose for his subject "Pioneering In Crawford County." This was supposed to be an agricultural

meeting and a number of our county agriculturists were expected to be present. None appeared, probably due to the heavy storm that day.

Mr. Hunter's address would have interested them, no doubt, just as it did the members of the club. He spoke as follows:

Pioneering In Crawford County

This information was hastily prepared so I do not wish to emphatically say that all dates are correct. I will say that I believe that all dates are very accurate.

The year 1870 found the M. C. R. R. extending as far north as a little spot known as Grayling.

There were two buildings here at that time, a small general store and hotel combined and the remaining building being owned by the railroad company. The outside area was a vast timbered country, practically untouched by white man.

Rube Babbitt, as far as fam-

ilar names are concerned, was

the oldest settler. He came to

Grayling in 1870 and soon settled

on a spot down the AuSable,

about eight miles from here,

which is now occupied by Mr. E. J. Marshall as a summer home.

Mr. Babbitt did not devote much

time to farming. He chose rather

to care for the needs of his

family by hunting, fishing, trap-

ing and guiding.

Very interesting is the story of

a man by the name of Sherman

who came to Grayling in 1872

with his two sons, one of whom

was Ben. Ben Sherman home-

steaded the eighty acres located

five miles east of Frederic. They

brought a cook stove on sled

made of barrel staves the whole

distance of nothing but an

old woods trail or survey line.

Mr. Sherman lived in a small

shack for the summer and the

following year built a 16 x 20

foot log building, and got mar-

ried. He could study music. For

several years he lived at St. James

Lodge, Chantilly, France. His

son died in 1928.

On April 24, 1929, she married

the Rev. Herbert A. Daly, then

curate of St. Paul's Episcopal

Cathedral, and they made their

home at the Shrewsbury Drive

address until Sept. 1936, when

they moved to the Wardell

Apartments. Mrs. Daly was a

member of the Colony Club, the

Women's City Club, the League

of Catholic Women, the Catholic

Study Club, and Duns Scotus

Parish.

Surviving are her husband,

now assistant vicar of St.

George's Anglo Catholic Church;

two nieces, Mrs. Frank E. Spring-

stein and Mrs. Clara Erb Kidder,

of Royal Oak, and a nephew,

Lewis Erb, of Huntington Woods.

Paris' Old Flea Market

Because Phillip IV wouldn't be

bothered with peddlers, Paris has its

nearly 700-year-old flea market of

tiny shops at the Porte de Clignancourt.

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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 17, 1914

Mrs. W. T. Hammond attended the funeral of her sister in Bay City last Wednesday.

Rasmus Jorgenson of Manistee was a pleasant caller in the city Monday.

Fred Larsen of Johannesburg is spending a few days here this week visiting old friends.

Mrs. John McPhee of Cheboygan was a guest of her cousin, Mrs. William Brennan on Wednesday.

Jeff Fogelsonger returned the forepart of the week from Lewiston, where he had been on a hunting trip.

Miss Marguerite Chamberlain is home from the Ypsilanti Normal school to spend the Christmas holidays.

Anchor Schjotz, formerly a resident of this city, but now of New York, is suffering from an attack of appendicitis, at his home.

Armadus Charron of Mason who has spent a couple of weeks here visiting his son Edward, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Charron, left Monday morning for Rogers City, where he has purchased a cigar shop. He has been in the same business in Mason and recently sold out.

Word was received from Lansing last Monday by the Mercy Hospital authorities that the first graduate nurses of Mercy Hos-

pital, Grayling, Misses Maude Tett and Catherine O'Leary, have passed with high honors the State examinations given at Detroit November 17, 18 and 19th of this year, for state registration before the state board, and that the said nurses were granted a State Registration certificate.

Miss Emma McCullough entertained the members of the Stunt Club last Wednesday evening by taking them to the movies at the Opera House and afterwards serving delicious refreshments at her home.

Miss Anna Riess of Ludington, sister of Father Riess, underwent very serious operation for appendicitis at Mercy Hospital, last Thursday.

George Olson made a business trip to Saginaw Friday, last.

Nobie Carpenter of Gaylord is here visiting his brother Frank.

Mrs. Lumont is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. J. Cramer.

Miss Clara and Will Moore returned to their home in Bart after spending a week with their sister, Mrs. Jane Starnard.

John Hanna, supervisor, and Ivory R. Gile, highway commissioner of Beaver Creek township, were in Lansing last week in the interest of their township.

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Sunday Show continuous from 2 P. M. to Closing.



WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

December 22 - 23

CHRISTMAS IN AMERICA

The Christmas tree has become such an emblem of that day that one cannot imagine Christmas decorations without it. The custom originated in Germany and many trees still have the traditional decorations of strings of popcorn, cranberries, etc.

The South still burns the Yule log, following English custom, and often a fragment is saved to light the log the next year to symbolize that the fire did not die from year to year.

We, too, sing Christmas carols as they do in many lands. In Czechoslovakia, the carolers mark the houses they have visited with three crosses.

In some homes, the European custom of buring candles in windows to light the Christ child is followed.

Decorating the outside of our homes with holly, ivy, wreaths and berries is a traditional custom; and the mistletoe branch above a doorway provides sentiment and mirth as it does in England.

In Sweden, one eats a little at every house visited, so as not to take Christmas away from that house when one departs. Most of us serve refreshments to all guests, but may have forgotten the significance of the Swedish custom.

Our American Christmas embodies the sentiment, the spirit during our late bereavement, and the traditions of many lands.

Children in Court

Judge Malcolm Hatfield

It was learned in juvenile court this week that the child who is permitted to torture and mistreat family pets frequently develops into a hardened adult.

With the wide-spread sale of rifles and shot guns to irresponsible hunters, there is little wonder that innocent by-standers, live-stock, song birds, and family pets are shot during the hunting season.

So long as this nation adheres to the erroneous belief that all red-blooded American boys must be given toy pistols, air-guns, and rifles to play with, we can expect a murder to be committed in the United States every forty-five minutes throughout the year. Furthermore, it does not take a misguided youth who is skilled in operating an automatic revolver or rifle long to learn how to manipulate a machine gun.

CARD OF THANKS

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GRAYLING GREENHOUSES-FLORISTS

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POTTED PLANTS FLOWERS

bring the charm and beauty of colorful Nature into every home. Our selection of roses, 'mums', carnations and asters is unusually large.



Win One, Lose One For Grayling High

Grayling High School won from Kalkaska last Friday night in a double-barreled exhibition of basketball frenzy which wound up with the Green and White triumphant in two games. They were played at Kalkaska, and the regulars took their game 24 to 28, while the reserves won by a baseball score of 11 to 5. All in all it was wild and wooly for eight quarters of competition.

Grayling's quest for a victory was not to be denied Friday night. Though the Kalkaska regulars were big and ambitious Grayling jumped into an early lead which they held most of the time until the close. There were a few wild moments when the Blue and White nosed ahead, but most of the time Grayling showed the way by from one to three points. It was 14 to 17 at the half and 22 to 23 at the third quarter. Kalkaska got a lot less shots and temped fate with long shots a lot often while Grayling worked the ball in for closer efforts and missed quite a few of them. They made enough however to win and send their followers home happy.

The reserves won their third straight game as they downed Kalkaska in a mighty struggle, with scoring reduced to a minimum. The local boys lead clear through however, and defeated their hosts by a decisive enough margin. This game was also rather rough but the final totals suited Grayling.

Grayling High-28

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Bowen, f	1	1	1
Hunter, f	0	0	0
Lovely, f	2	1	4
Hull, f	0	0	0
Moshier, e	4	0	0
Coutts, g	2	2	4
Dickrow, g	1	0	1
Smock, g	1	2	0
Peterson, J. H. g	0	0	0
Totals	11	6	7

Kalkaska High-24

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Nelson, f	4	2	0
Hinds, G, f	1	2	0
Fudges, f	0	0	0
Hinds, J. c	0	0	0
McLarn, c	0	0	0
Leach, g	0	0	4
Rauple, g	0	0	2
Fulmore, g	4	2	0
Totals	9	6	10

Grayling Reserves-11

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Wylie, f	0	1	1
Tibbets, f	3	1	1
Jankowski, f	0	0	0
Ruthkowski, e	1	1	1
Martin, g	0	0	0
Welsh, g	0	0	0
Jenson, g	0	0	0
Anthony, g	0	0	0
Totals	4	3	3

Kalkaska Reserves-5

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Osburn, f	0	0	0
Armstrong, f	1	0	3
Ball, c	0	0	1
Mason, c	0	1	0
Vipanor, g	0	0	3
Sieting, g	1	0	0
Elder, g	0	0	0
Totals	2	1	7

Grayling-Roscommon Game Was Thriller

Grayling engaged Roscommon Tuesday night and the two teams put on a thriller of a ball game that wasn't decided until the closing moments of play when Roscommon pulled out to win 33 to 29. The Grayling reserves continued their winning ways however by taking their hosts to the tune of 18 to 13.

Roscommon jumped out into an early lead, with the first quarter score in their favor 10 to 5. In the second period Grayling battled the count to 13 to 13 at the half-way post, and while Roscommon led 24 to 21 at the end of the third quarter, the Green and White team staged another rally that put them ahead 24 to 26 about half way through the last quarter. Roscommon's veterans came through however, riding on some sensational long shooting by Joe McMahon. Grayling wasn't through however, for they again pulled up to within a point, but they couldn't quite edge out ahead with the necessary points. It was a hard fought affair all the way through, and there should be another bang-up ball game when Roscommon returns here later on.

The Grayling Reserves got off on the wrong foot and found themselves fighting from behind to start things off. They trailed throughout the first quarter, but held narrow leads at the end of each of the next two periods. They weren't out of the woods until late in the game.

The Grayling reserves haven't met defeat yet, and have won from Mancelona, Harbor Springs, Kalkaska and Roscommon.

Grayling Reserves-18

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Tibbets, f	3	3	3
Jenson, f	0	0	0
Wylie, f	3	0	2
Ruthkowski, c	1	0	1
Herbison, c	0	0	0
Martin, g	0	1	1
Anthony, g	0	0	0
Welsh, g	0	0	0
Totals	5	3	7

Jankowski, g 0 0 0
McNamara, g 0 0 0
Totals 7 4 7

Roscommon Reserves-13

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Knapp, f	0	0	1
Rudden, f	0	0	1
Emery, f	2	0	2
Lance, c	0	2	2
Burtenfelder, c	0	0	0
Van Camp, g	0	2	1
Sullivan, g	0	1	0
G. Hirman, g	1	0	1
Total	5	3	10

Grayling High-29

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Bowen, f	2	1	4
Smock, f	0	1	2
Lovely, f	4	1	5
Moshier, c	2	1	3
Coutts, g	0	2	2
Dickrow, g	2	2	4
J. Petersen, g	0	1	0
McClain, g	0	0	0
Total	10	9	18

Roscommon High-33

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
J. Myer, f	2	0	0
Hinman, f	3	0	3
H. Myer, c	3	1	2
Rutledge, g	0	1	0
Bullou, g	1	0	4
McMahon, g	5	3	2
Totals	14	5	11

Grayling High-28

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Bowen, f	1	1	1
Hunter, f	0	0	0
Lovely, f	2	1	4
Hull, f	0	0	0
Moshier, c	4	0	0
Coutts, g	2	2	4
Dickrow, g	1	0	1
Smock, g	1	2	0
Peterson, J. H. g	0	0	0
Totals	11	6	7

KIWANIANS LAUD WOMAN'S CLUB

Seldom do I hear of anyone complimenting the Woman's Club on the fine work which they are doing in our community. They perform the duties of their organization each year almost unnoticed by the rest of the community. Just as the Boy Scouts is our major project, so is the Milk Fund the major project of the Woman's Club. The milk fund, as you know, is the financing of milk for under-nourished children, which is supervised at Grayling High School.

The reserves won their third straight game as they downed Kalkaska in a mighty struggle, with scoring reduced to a minimum. The local boys lead clear through however, and defeated their hosts by a decisive enough margin. This game was also rather rough but the final totals suited Grayling.

Grayling High-28

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Bowen, f	1	1	1
Hunter, f	0	0	0
Lovely, f	2	1	4
Hull, f	0	0	0
Moshier, c	4	0	0
Coutts, g	2	2	4
Dickrow, g	1	0	1
Smock, g	1	2	0
Peterson, J. H. g	0	0	0
Totals	11	6	7

Kalkaska High-24

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Nelson, f	4	2	0
Hinds, G, f	1	2	0
Fudges, f	0	0	0
Hinds, J. c	0	0	0
McLarn, c	0	0	0
Leach, g	0	0	4
Rauple, g	0	0	2
Fulmore, g	4	2	0
Totals	9	6	10

Grayling Reserves-11

Player Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Wylie, f	0	1	1
Tibbets, f	3	1	1
Jankowski, f	0	0</	

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BOYCOTT of Japanese-made goods seems to be quite general in all parts of America. Resentment of the recent sinking of the American warship by Japanese bombers is quite universal. It is obvious that Americans are taking matters into their own hands and not leaving it to war lords to push us into conflict in the Orient, but instead are fighting the Japs by means of the boycott. It is reported that the revenue Japan gets from her American trade would support its army. While the writer has always been opposed to the purchase of foreign-made merchandise when similar kinds are being made in America, we believe the time has come for Americans to stop pussyfooting and come right out and refuse to purchase Japanese-made goods of any kind. If we can't get fine silks elsewhere than from Japan, then let's use whatever we can get even though it may not be of quite such high quality. In Cleveland recently merchants had big bonfires of Japanese merchandise taken from their store stocks. While, perhaps, many merchants might not be financially able to make such a sacrifice, still they should be able to dispose of their stocks within a week or ten days and after that refrain from stocking Japanese-made merchandise. And if people refuse to buy such merchandise, no wise merchant will wish to continue to stock it.

DISCRIMINATION LEADS TO DISTRUST

Considerable has been said in the press and over the air during the past two weeks concerning the practice of the Michigan sales tax administration of reducing penalties against delinquent merchants and in accepting less for the state than the merchant has collected, or should have collected from his customer.

Not all has been said that might be said. Certainly it is unfair to the purchaser to take his sales tax pennies and then fail or refuse to turn them over to the state for which it was collected. It is just as unfair for the sales tax board to permit these delinquencies to pile up until to force collections would force bankruptcy as the excuse was given. Other merchants have the right to complain if they collect and pay over when competitors are permitted either to not collect or to keep the tax, once it is collected. That is an inexcusable type of unfair trade

practice which the state government cannot afford to condone, much less participate in.

Then too there is that matter of politics. If political appointees are to be given this sort of power to discriminate as between friends and foes—politically speaking—that certainly leads again to a dangerous practice.

Mr. Draper Allen may be the finest type of public official. The sales tax board may consist of the highest type of public servants. They may act in all good faith. Nevertheless that sort of practice is not in the interests of good government. It does not tend to create or stimulate public confidence. It is that sort of practice which leads to distrust, to further evasion and cheating, and eventually to a complete breaking down of public confidence in all government.

Mr. Allen may have acted in good faith. He did not exercise good discretion—that much is certain.—Ingham County News, Mason.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ELECTS DIRECTORS

At a meeting of the members of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night, names were selected for nomination of directors. Eight of the nominees, having the largest number of votes, will constitute the board.

The Chamber of Commerce was constituted by the Izaak Walton League and given a temporary set up, Royal A. Wright, president of the I. W. L. acting as president, and Farman Matson as acting secretary. The meeting Tuesday night was for the purpose of completing the organization upon a permanent basis.

Ballots for the selection will be in the mail for each and every member of the C. C. C. Friday, with instruction to vote for not more than eight names. The newly elected board will draw up a constitution and by-laws and elect the usual office.

Considerable criticism was offered at the meeting Tuesday because of the lack of support by many of our citizens. If the organization is to be of service it must have revenue. Many alibis were offered by some who refused to join the board, among them being a complaint that in former years money was judiciously expended.

We are confident that every cent paid into the present organization will be used for the purpose of promoting the interests of this community, and that a full accounting may be had at any time.

The Chamber of Commerce is to sponsor boxing matches with the ultimate objective of promoting boxers for the Golden Gloves tournaments that will be staged in Michigan this winter.

Time Whizzes On
"Years" now how I used to sit on the porch and envy every one who went past in a car."

"You said it. But now, if it weren't for the family, all I'd like to do is to sit home evenings on the front porch." Butcher Courier-Express.

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Personals

I. W. L. ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Izaak Walton League Thursday night all the old officers were re-elected to carry on the affairs of the League for another year. These men have worked hard and have built up a nice organization in Crawford county, with a fine membership. They are as follows:

President—R. A. Wright.
1st Vice Pres.—Jack Redhead.
2nd Vice Pres.—Frank Bennett.
3rd Vice Pres.—Ernest Borchers.

Sec'y and Treas.—Axel M. Peterson.

The meeting was held at the Pete Lovely Mess hall at the Military reservation and preceding the election a fine venison feed was enjoyed. Following the group of men returned to town to the I. O. O. F. temple where they witnessed five boxing bouts and a couple of wrestling matches put on by High School boys. The League is planning to sponsor a series of boxing bouts with the intention of entering contestants in the Golden Gloves tournament.

Tonight the League will hold a meeting to appoint the various committees.

EXCERPTS

The abrupt dismissal of Harry G. Kipke, University of Michigan football coach, came as a distinct surprise to alumni, sportswriters and followers of the Maize and Blue in general. It is not the policy of the University of Michigan to kick out a coach simply because his teams have lost a few games, especially when the record also includes such outstanding seasons as Kipke enjoyed a year or two ago.

The only answer to the puzzle is that the Board of Control of Athletics had some other reason for ousting the coach—a reason which thus far the members have preferred to keep to themselves. At any rate the members of the board must feel that Kipke was guilty of something so heinous that he was entitled to no consideration whatever.

It doesn't seem on the face of things that Kipke deserved such treatment from the school that he had served so well as an athlete and a coach. The least the school could have done was to have told him quietly that he was through and give him an opportunity to make other connections before announcing that his connection with the University was severed.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh returned Sunday night from the See who had attended the funeral of a friend, the widow of Mr. Jorgenson's buddy in France during the World War.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh are in Saginaw and Bay City spending a few days. On return they will be accompanied by Fred Jr., from St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wis., who will spend the holidays here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Astay have returned to their home in Jackson after having spent three months in Grayling. Mr. Astay was foreman in the C. C. C. camp at Kalkaska, and the couple occupied the William Randolph home during their stay here. They were called home by the illness of the latter's father, and expect to remain to carry on the latter's dairy business.

WEEK'S WEATHER REPORT

The official weather report shows that the coldest temperature for the week and also for this year was on Monday morning at 7:00 when the thermometer fell to 14 degrees below zero. Following is the record for the week:

6:00 a. m.—12 below.
7:00 a. m.—14 below.
12:00 noon—17 above.
6:00 p. m.—4 above.
Tuesday:
6:00 a. m.—12 below.
12:00 noon—27 above.
6:00 p. m.—13 above.
Wednesday:
6:00 a. m.—20 above.
12:00 noon—28 above.
6:00 p. m.—26 above.
Thursday:
6:00 a. m.—27 above.

The board in control promised a further explanation would be forthcoming and it is to be presumed that the sporting writers will keep after the members until some reason for the ouster is given. Clever sports reporters have a habit of getting the story they are after and this should be no exception.

The board has seen fit to fire Kipke and there is no use crying about it. Thousands of Michigan fans are sorry to see him go and wonder just what it is all about. The main concern now is who will be chosen as Kipke's successor. Will his departure mean a wholesale revamping of the coaching staff? Will Wallie Webster, Benny Oosterbaan, Hunk Anderson and the others also be out in the cold? Or is it just Kipke who will depart? The answer to the question about Kipke's ouster will come in the other changes that are made, if any. If it is his coaching system that is objected to, then perhaps the whole gang will go. If it is Kipke himself, perhaps only the head coach will be changed.

At any rate, it seems that Harry Kipke is entitled to a little better treatment from the University than he received. We are proud to join the group that is sorry to see him go and that wishes him the best of luck in whatever he decides to do.

—Peterson News.

STATE AID PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOLS

Distribution of \$7,886,578.54 in state aid funds for local school districts was announced this week by Dr. Eugene B. Elliott, state superintendent of public instruction. The payment is one-third of the state appropriation for aid to districts, the second payment due to come in February and the third in April.

The state legislature appropriated \$25,200,000 this year for school aid purposes. This does not include the primary school fund of more than 15 million dollars. Districts have already been awarded \$3,000,000 of the appropriation for tuition purposes.

Crawford county's amount is \$9,391.82.

Franklin's Plea Failed

When Benjamin Franklin applied to the king of Prussia for American aid in the Revolution, the king asked Franklin what the object and aim of the Americans was. "Liberty! Sir!" answered Franklin. "Liberty!" repeated the king. "Why, I was born a prince, I am become a king, and I will not use the power which I possess to the ruin of my own trade."

NEWS BRIEFS

Mrs. John Charlefour is ill at her home.

Big time at Frederic Town hall Saturday night, Dec. 18. See hand bills for particulars.

Thorwald Sorenson is carrying his left arm in bandages, having accidentally burned himself with hot grease.

Billy Kraus, who has been a patient at Mercy Hospital, ill with pneumonia, is recovering nicely.

Lingerie, hosiery, and dresses make an excellent Christmas gift for the ones you love to remember. A full supply can be found at the Maureen Shoppe.

One of the largest kills of the 1937 big game season last month was a bear weighing approximately 550 pounds. The giant bruin was shot in the vicinity of St. Helens.

We notice that Mayor and Mrs. George Burke are taking the lead in catching the yuletide spirit, being the first to have a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree in their yard at their home.

Fire that resulted from an overheated stove blackened the walls and did other damage in the kitchen of the Emil Giegling home Friday night. The loss was small and was covered by insurance.

Alfred Hanson Sales report the sale of a deluxe two-door Chevrolet sedan to John Stephan, Jr., and William Sampsel of Houghton Lake, and a beer truck to Mrs. Susan Chapell.

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The cases of William Emery and Gaylord Knight of Roscommon, scheduled to be heard on Dec. 14 and 15, were adjourned until next week. These men were arrested by a conservation officer charged with having killed a fawn on the last day of deer hunting season.

A reception in honor of Mrs. R. S. Babbitt was given at her home last Wednesday afternoon, the occasion being her 74th birthday. On that day many relatives and friends enjoyed with her two beautiful birthday cakes and tea. Mrs. Babbitt received many beautiful gifts and wishes for many more happy birthdays.

Damage amounting to about \$100 resulted from the fire at the home of Leo Jorgenson, that was discovered shortly after noon Monday. Mrs. Jorgenson noticed the house filling with smoke, but could not find just where it was coming from. It was later found to have started from a defect in the chimney in the attic of the house. Smoke and water made up the greater part of the damage.

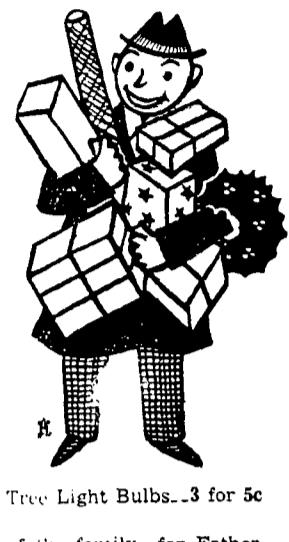
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The Rev. Mr. Wm. C. S. Pellowe, new district superintendent of the Saginaw District of the Methodist Church, conducted the quarterly conference at the Michelson Memorial church on Tuesday evening of this week. Mr. Pellowe called at the parsonage the following morning and left a copy of his book "The Royal Road to Mexico." The book is a gift for the Grayling library. The volume contains some interesting information concerning Mexico. It will be highly valuable to persons who contemplate a trip along the new national highway through that picturesque country. The book is illustrated with pictures taken by Mr. Pellowe and his family during their Mexican trip a few months ago.

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Grayling Mercy Hospital cordially invites the public to visit the Hospital on Sunday, Dec. 19, when they will hold open house. Of especial interest there is the new E. J. Marshall Children's Ward.

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Mrs. Robert Ziebell is being honored with a birthday party this afternoon with her daughter Mrs. Joseph Gidner the hostess at her home.

The Women's Home Missionary Society will give an apron sale and tea at the Michelson Memorial Church on Friday, December 17th.

Ford Sales announce the sale of a deluxe Tudor to Grant Thompson; a deluxe Fordor to Albert Lewis of Big Bay, and a Pick-up to Kerr & Hanson Flooring Co.

Whoever picked up my billfold, if your conscience doesn't hurt, please return. The important thing to me is the fold and the papers.—Frank Bridges.

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LOCALS

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Mrs. Ronnow Hanson is away from the Ben Franklin Store because of illness.

On December 18th St. Mary's Altar Society will hold a bazaar at the new Better Housekeeping Shoppe.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gregg (Cora Nephew), of Lovells, are the proud parents of a son born this morning at Mercy Hospital.

Grayling schools will close Wednesday for the holiday vacation when the teachers will go to their various homes or elsewhere for the holidays.

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EAR MUFFS Colored, at	.50
ANKLE MUFFS Colored, at	.75
SPATS FOR MEN In all colors, at	1.00
WOMEN'S CARRIAGE BOOTS Make a Fine Gift	3.75 and 5.00

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Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Harrison are the proud parents of a son born Saturday at Mercy Hospital. James Thomas is his name.

Word from Flint announces the birth of a daughter, Marsha Jean, on Dec. 2 to Dr. and Mrs. Harold Woughter (Ada Kidston).

The annual Christmas party for the children of St. Mary's church will be held at the parish hall Thursday afternoon Dec. 23 from 3:00 until 5:00 o'clock.

Besides dealing in new typewriters we occasionally have in stock good used machines. Right now we have an old type Corona portable with case. It writes very well, however the keyboard is not standard in arrangement. For anyone who doesn't have a lot of writing to do it would be all right. See it at this office. You can buy it dirt cheap.

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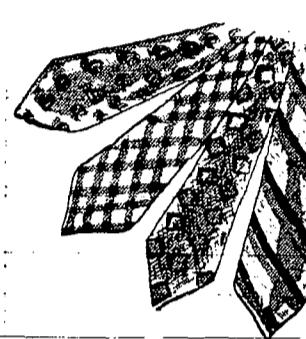


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Grayling Lodge F. & A. M. will hold a special meeting on Thursday, Dec. 16th at which time installation of officers will take place. Following the meeting refreshments will be served.

The Alpena Winter Sports Carnival will be held from January 15th to 23rd for the year 1938. The special feature of the carnival this year will be Michigan Skating Championships.

The community Christmas tree has been placed at the intersection of Michigan and Peninsular avenues. Soon it will be covered with colored lights and will help to bring cheer to Grayling folk during the yuletide and New Year's.

Mrs. John Stephan Jr., while driving from down river to town one day last week, had her car skid off the road, hit a tree and turn over. The car was badly damaged necessitating a visit to the Alfred Hanson Sales where a brand-new Chevrolet town sedan was purchased.

Twelve ladies pleasantly surprised Mrs. Carrie Feldhauser Monday afternoon, dropping in at her home, and reminding her that she was a year older, to be a caller at the Avalanche office Monday. He says

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Representative Roy O. Woodruff will speak on the National Broadcasting Company's Farm Home Hour over the nation-wide hook-up on Saturday, December 18th. This program takes place between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. Mr. Woodruff will appear as the first speaker on this hour.

Winter Sports Memberships

Membership Tickets are now on sale and can be obtained at Mac & Gideley's, Shopenagons Inn, Chris Olsen's and the office of Charles E. Moore.

Family membership ticket \$2.50
Individual \$1.00

Members of the Chamber of Commerce will receive membership tickets without additional cost.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Assembly program Friday was devoted to a demonstration by the advanced Home Ec. Class. If the old adage still holds true that "We learn by example", the students must have discovered the right way of eating, serving, and washing dishes. The correct and incorrect method of performing these everyday household tasks were humorously shown by the following students under the direction of Miss Tumath:

Yvonne Bradley handled the announcing end of the program very capably as Natalie Peterson and Laura Johnson gave a riotous demonstration of how not to act at luncheon even though served by so capable a waitress as Dorothea Morris.

In the second skit the big hunt was for a capable housekeeper, especially one who could polish off the dishes in an acceptable manner. Naomi Wheeler portrayed the part of the bachelor needing a housekeeper, while Joyce Heath, June Morris, Laura Ann Rasmussen, and Jane Ann Martin represented the unsuccessful candidates before Kathleen Kraus finally showed them all how it was done and won the job and prospective husband.

The Girl's Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Johnson, rendered several numbers at a program of the Women's Club, Monday.

Tuesday two members of the State Department of Public Instruction conducted a meeting at the High School attended by approximately 20 school board members of Crawford county. Such problems as State aid, tuition, taxes, etc., were discussed. Both morning and afternoon sessions were held.

In the Fourth grade the children are having a health campaign in which they are trying not only to look clean and neat, but to practice the health rules in order that our health record might be improved. Each week five inspectors are chosen to inspect the other children. The inspector must be one who obeys all of the health rules. Each inspector wears an arm band to show his position.

The children are checked on the following: clean faces, clean hands which includes the fingernails, clean ears; if the hair is combed, if the teeth are brushed, and whether each one has a clean handkerchief. Our first inspectors were Betty Ingalls, Evelyn Krag, Betty Jewel Underwood, Richard K. Nelson, and Teddy Bennett. They were complimented by Mrs. Gorman for bers, boys in the Junior and

Senior classes, with Mr. Poor and Mr. Stripe as leaders. Meetings are held every Monday evening, usually at the school, and topics of present importance are discussed as well as other educational and entertaining topics. Also it is a custom of the organization to do some constructive work in and about school.

"The Ten Commandments of An Athlete"

By Gus Dorais

- 1 Coordination
- 2 Coordination
- 3 Enthusiasm
- 4 Mental Alertness
- 5 Courage
- 6 Cooperation
- 7 Size
- 8 Mental Stability
- 9 Application
- 10 Susceptibility to Instruction

A-T-H-L-E-T-I-C-S

- 1 Ambition
- 2 Training
- 3 Honesty
- 4 Loyalty
- 5 Eligibility
- 6 Trustworthiness
- 7 Improvement
- 8 Courage
- 9 Stick-to-it-iveness

TAX SALE PUBLICATION BEGINS

Again stressing the fact that no land descriptions will be advertised for tax sale even though paid, Auditor General Gundry today requested the cooperation of Michigan newspapers in presenting the reasons for publication to the people.

Stating that in a sense his office is attempting to do the work in one year that was suspended for six years and that the job is further complicated by the installment plan, Mr. Gundry asks taxpayers to not be alarmed if they find their property listed for sale when they have made payment on their taxes.

The auditor explained that he had given a great deal of thought to the mechanical procedure for making ready for the tax sale. One important fact that they could not get around he said was the longer time needed by the publishers this year coupled with the fact that the tree must be done in consecutive weeks prior to the opening date of the last term of circuit-court proceeding May 3 which is the date of sale.

Work has been progressing at an entirely satisfactory pace Mr. Gundry stated and will be in the publishers' hands "a bit before the time set last summer.

First Oil Well Shallow
The first well drilled for oil, the Drake well of 1859, was 692 feet deep. Later wells 10,000 feet deep were quite common.

MANNERS OF THE MOMENT

By JEAN C. GORDON, Associated Newspapers

The Hi-Y Club met Monday night for their regular informal weekly meeting. The topic discussed was the requirements of a successful athlete. Mr. Poor, the advisor of the club, gave a list of requirements and also "The Ten Commandments of An Athlete" by Gus Dorais of the U. of D.

Since this is the first article from the activities of the Hi-Y, it might be well to tell just what the purpose of this group is.

It is composed of some 15 mem-

bers, boys in the Junior and

High School.

It was always told that a lady

should never be seen eating on the street. I believed in the old saying for a long time. But as I keep telling my mother, life isn't what it used to be. In her day you had to go into the kitchen, make up a sandwich and march out into the street with it if you wanted to be caught eating on the street. It was a lot of work for a mere principle.

But now street eating creeps up on you. You pass a street corner stand

where there are nice hot dogs on

view and you get hungry. Well, if

you decide to buy, you can't very

well put your hot dog in your pocketbook and walk into the nearest hotel lobby to eat it. That again, would be too much work for a mere principle.

The real crux of the problem now

lies in how and where you do your street eating. In the first place, it is more ladylike to stand still while you eat, rather than to wander along the sidewalk munching. In the second place, it is considered more elite to stand still beside the hot dog wagon, rather than beside the church steps while you lap up your roll-and.

If it's a chocolate bar you've decided to eat on the public highways, be careful about choosing your streets. You shouldn't be caught eating on the main business street, or the ritziest parkway in town.

What you do in the back alleys is

your own business.

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JOHNNY'S HISTORY LESSON

I think of all the things at school
A boy has got to do,
That studying History, as a rule,

Is worst of all, don't you?

Of dates there are an awful sight,

And the I study day and night,

There's only one I get just right—

That's 1492

Columbus crossed the Delaware, in 1492.

We whipped the British fair and square, in 1492.

At Lexington and Concord we kept the redcoats on the run

While the band played "Johnny Get Your Gun."

Pat Henry said with dying breath, in 1492.

Give me liberty or death, in 1492.

And Barbara Fritchie, (so 'tis said),

Said "Shoot if you must this old grey head,

But I'd rather it would be your own instead," in 1492.

The pilgrims came to Plymouth Rock, in 1492.

And the Indians standing on the rock asked, "What

are you going to do?"

And they said, "We seek your harbor dear,

That our children, children's children's dear

May boast that their forefathers landed here, in 1492.

Pocahontas saved the life—in 1492

Of John Smith, and became his wife, in 1492.

And the Smith tribe started then and there,

But we didn't have any Smiths to spare, in 1492.

Kentucky was settled by Daniel Boone, in 1492.

And I think the cow jumped over the moon in 1492.

Ben Franklin flew his kite so high,

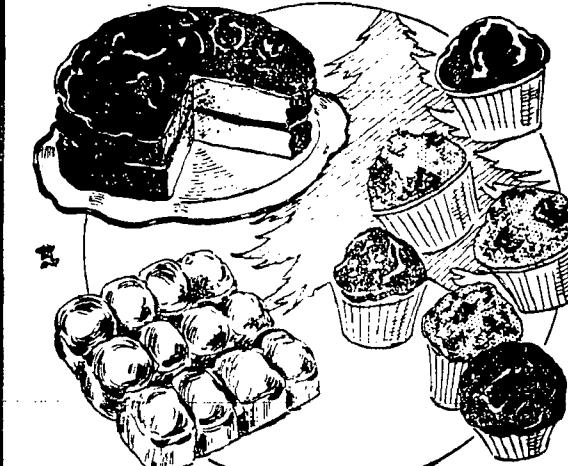
He drew the lightning from the sky,

And Washington couldn't tell a lie—in 1492.

Contributed.

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Employers of Michigan If the worker fails to get the number the Unemployment Compensation Act places on employer of eight or more, subject to the act, responsibility for getting the Social Security Account Number of each worker.

Counties receive the entire amount of the revenue from the sale of automobile license plates in addition to \$6,550,000 a year from the gasoline tax. Of the latter amount, \$4,000,000 is returned to the counties for the maintenance of roads that were formerly on the township highway system. The remaining \$2,550,000 is sent back to the counties as a result of special legislation in 1934 reducing the weight tax by 36 per cent.

In addition, the Federal government has made \$1,136,910 available for secondary road improvements on county roads in Michigan. The 1937 legislature also enacted a \$200,000 snow removal appropriation for 34 counties in northern Michigan.

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Oldest City of the Americas St. Augustine, oldest city of the Americas, where the ancient traditions of the early settlers endure, is one of the most colorful. Since 1565, when St. Augustine was officially settled by Pedro Menendez de Aviles, 53 years after its discovery by Ponce de Leon, America's oldest city has been the shuttlecock of nations. St. Augustine was the scene, early in the Seventeenth century, of pirate attacks; it was the site of numerous sanguinary Indian battles.

Reward

A reward of \$10.00 will be given for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person who has in the past or does in the future destroy or steal any property at the Winter Sports Park.

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Non-partisan News Letter
Michigan Press Association
By GENE ALLEMAN

Lansing—Announcement of a proposed legislative investigation of cooperatives in Michigan—consumers' cooperatives as well as producers' cooperatives—was greeted jubilantly by local sponsors of the Scandinavian substitute for private retail business.

The legislative probe started out originally to look into finances of the Wolverine "self-help" cooperative in Lansing which received federal subsidy money as a welfare project. But when Attorney General Starr ruled that legislative investigations by committee had no legal standing after adjournment of the legislature, the legislative council took up the torch. Speaker George Schroeder, council chairman, declared that the investigation would include all cooperatives.

Friends of the Michigan cooperative movement are welcoming the prospect of statewide publicity. It is pointed out that the Klan, nearly deceased, is now thriving again since the press hubbub over Justice Black's former membership in the hooded order.

Representative Vernon J. Brown of Mason resigned from the investigating subcommittee of the legislative council, declaring that the extended probe was beyond the scope contemplated in house resolution No. 114.

Special Session?

Several developments are complicating the prospect of another special session of the state legislature early in 1938.

1. Governor Murphy's candidacy for re-election is generally taken for granted. There are a number of administrative scores yet to be settled over before Murphy runs the risk of having his measures rebuffed in the legislature.

2. The main reason for a special session would be the passage of a labor relations bill. With business recession now in force and general layoffs looking for many workers, the time is not considered opportune for organized labor to demand higher wages at the threat of strikes.

The Michigan Federation of Labor held a special meeting in Lansing last Sunday (Dec. 12) to discuss a policy on labor relations bills, apparently in anticipation of a special session.

The governor's statement of Thanksgiving week indicated that he would not tolerate wildcat sit-down strikes brought about by a majority group.

10 Hour Week

A 10-hour week with 40-hour weeks is sought by CIO workers in the Chrysler UAW local in the Detroit area. Their contract with the auto mobile company expires March 31.

While this demand for a shorter week with the same pay is probably a weapon for bargaining, the resolution indicates a trend towards higher manufac-

turing costs.

At a time when Congress is considering passage of an hour-wage bill giving the federal government the authority to establish hour and wage levels throughout the nation, it is interesting to note that Michigan's average cost per man-hour in industry is exceeded only by those in Wyoming and Montana where little industry exists and is tied actually by the man-hour cost in New York state.

Figures compiled by the National Industrial Conference board from the last census of manufacturers lists the following states with man-hour costs of 50 cents or over:

D. C. 64	Idaho 55
Wyoming 61	N. J. 54
Mont. 61	N. D. 54
New York 60	Oregon 52
Mich. 56	Colo. 51
Nevada 58	Penn. 51
Illinois 58	Kansas 50
Calif. 57	Neb. 50
Ohio 57	Ind. 50
Wash. 56	Ariz. 50

At the bottom of the list are southern states such as Virginia, Louisiana, Tennessee, Arkansas, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, Georgia and South Carolina with man-hour costs ranging from 40 cents down to 23 cents.

"Decentralization"

The Detroit district council of the C.I.O. recently appealed to Governor Murphy to fight widespread advancement of unemployment, asking him specifically to stop layoffs by spreading the work through a shorter week and to stop "decentralization of industry such as farming work out of the state."

The reference of the automo-

bile workers to "decentralization" was viewed as a criticism of the policy of General Motors corporation, for one, in opening new plants in other states so that "all eggs wouldn't be in the same basket."

If manufacturing costs are increased still more in Michigan, the inevitable result would be a speeding up of this decentralization—"farming work out of the state," as the C.I.O. council puts it.

Of course, the only thing that might slow up the movement would be a federal hour-wage law under either the A.F.L. plan of an outright minimum for the entire nation or the C.I.O.-favored plan of regional hour-wage levels to be determined by another bureau at Washington.

In view of the fact that 90 per cent of all the automobiles in the world are made in Michigan, the labor developments are worth watching.

Van Wagoner in Action

According to word received at the state capitol, chances are pretty slim that congress will cut \$200,000,000 from the federal road fund for allotment to states.

Murray D. VanWagoner, state highway commissioner, recently returned from Washington where he mobilized Michigan congressmen to stick to the highway spending program, using as a weapon the fact that about \$100,000,000 of the federal gasoline-oil tax revenue last year was not used for highway purposes.

Economy and balance-budgeting are all right for speechmaking, but they are a horse of a different color when it comes to the home districts. Congressmen are getting jittery, and defeat of the Roosevelt economy move is now generally conceded.

Michigan State Debt

In contrast to Michigan's sound financial condition, its state debt of some \$22,000,000—the outstanding bond indebtedness of \$72,000,000 being offset by a cash sinking fund of nearly \$50,000,000—recent statistics by Dun & Bradstreet show that borrowing by state governments increased the state debts 34.25 per cent in the last seven years.

During the same period, Michigan's debt was reduced—not increased.

New York state accounts for more than one-fifth of the present total debt of the 48 states of which 27 have raised the debts, 18 have reduced them, and three have effected no change.

Louisiana heads the list of the higher per capita increase of \$34.59, due chiefly to "Kingfish" Huey Long.

Holiday Trade Good

Most merchants are enjoying a good holiday trade, despite the "psychological panic" as economists call the present business recession.

If there really was a slump in October, it didn't show in sales tax collections which totalled \$5,117,096 as compared to \$4,419,336 last year. The tax increase, so far, for this year is now \$7,751,000.

Business may not be of the boom proportions that Babson predicted for this fall, but it still is better than this time last year. Of course, there are occasional exceptions to the rule.

No Mansion For Murphy

The bachelor governor has put an end to the controversy, freshly renewed by a republican legislator, about whether he is to have a mansion provided by state funds.

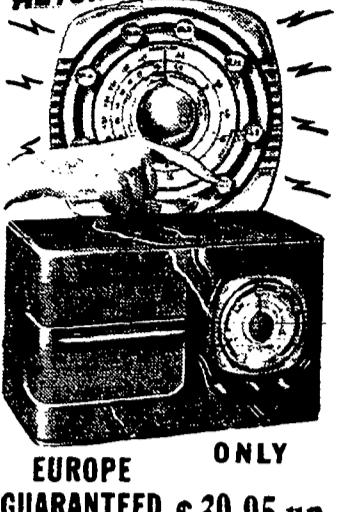
Last spring the state legislature considered authorizing an appropriation to purchase or construct a mansion for the governor. The idea was sponsored by certain leaders in the House, but when the governor failed to consult with them in handing out choice plums, the sponsors' ardor cooled considerably. Instead, the House passed a resolution that the board of auditors might "negotiate for and rent" a home for the governor.

A few weeks ago the board of auditors considered the purchase of a large residence in Lansing for \$85,000.

From the Detroit suburb, Plymouth, came a sizzling publicity blast from the peppery Elton Eaton, state representative who is prominent in republican circles.

The final result was the disowning by Murphy of the entire notion. "The state should—when the time is proper—build a modest home for its governors," said the Governor whose Lansing residence is a hotel room.

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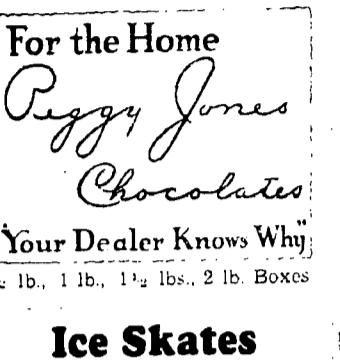
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PIONEERING IN CRAWFORD COUNTY

(Continued from front page) at first were quite successful; the land was new and the forest protected crops from frost. However, the soil was very light and all decided that they should have a school for their children and so At length they were forced to go elsewhere, in search of better soil.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Feldhausen, Knecht Lakes was homesteaded by Mr. Knecht, father of John, and another family whom I do not recall at this time, came to

These boys later did quite a bit of farming about two miles northeast of the Feldhausen school.

Mr. Rasmus Hanson came to Grayling and settled in 1878, with the idea of expanding his lumber business. Needless to say, he was very well rewarded for his keen foresight. The huge business which he carried on was a very large factor in the building of Grayling.

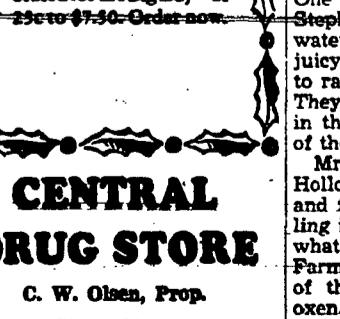
Crawford county actually came into existence in 1879, functioning with its county officers.

Peter W. Stephan came to Grayling from France, bringing his daughter Mrs. Rube Babbitt and sons, Henry, John and George with him. He homesteaded on the very spot now known as the Stephan settlement in 1879. They also lived by farming and hunting. In those days the pioneers could not travel far on account of modes of traveling and roads. They would hear of settlers tea miles away but it was too difficult to get to them and get acquainted.

One time a neighbor gave Mr. Stephan a wagon box full of watermelon which were ripe and juicy, and they have been known to raise corn eight feet high. They could hardly do that today in that same location on account of the frost.

Mrs. Gilbert Vallad's father, Holloway Buck, with his wife and four children came to Grayling in 1879. He homesteaded on what is now known as Buck Hill. Farming was difficult on account of the dense timber and slow oxen. They were so far away that many hardships were endured during the extreme cold winters. They had to come to Grayling for supplies.

There were many settlers on the plains from Buck's Crossing clear through to K.P. Lake and on to Lovells. There were also settlers near Cheney and no doubt in other parts of the county trying to farm on the light soils prominent on much of our plains land. But as pointed out previously it was of no use, because they were soon "starved out," so to speak. Today there are only two good areas in the county under cultivation. These two are hardwood country and the soil is heavy and our farmers raise some very fine crops. It must be admitted, however, that Crawford county as a whole is a very poor agricultural county. Not enough farms to create a good market. For instance, no grain or potato elevators, and the cream output is so small that no large creamery from down-state will operate a cream station. I would say though that the people of Grayling can be thankful that we have a few farmers in the county and thus do not have to rely on the outside altogether.



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